

TOWN OF DAVIE

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM/PHONE: Thomas J. Willi, Town Administrator

PREPARED BY: Candice Ordway, Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator

SUBJECT: Resolution

AFFECTED DISTRICT: District 1 & 2

TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ITS RESIDENTS RIGHTS REGARDING NOISE IMPACTS AFFECTING HOMES THAT ARE IN THE PROXIMITY OF THE PROPOSED FLORIDA TURNPIKE EXPANSION, AND JOIN WITH THE BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE TURNPIKE'S EARLIER COMMITMENTS MADE TO THE MPO REGARDING THEIR PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN FOR THE PROJECT, INCLUDING MEETINGS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR AGENCIES, REGULATORY AGENCIES, NEWSLETTERS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS AND TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO EFFECTIVELY MINIMIZE AND BUFFER THE NOISE LEVEL ASSOCIATED WITH CURRENT AND FUTURE TRAFFIC FROM THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE IN THE TOWN OF DAVIE.

REPORT IN BRIEF: The Town Council of the Town of Davie wishes to express support for the Town of Davie residents who are directly impacted by the noise created by additional traffic and proposed Florida Turnpike Expansion. They further wish to join with the Broward County Board of County Commissioners in their support for the Turnpike's earlier commitments made to the MPO regarding their public involvement plan for the project,, including meeting with local governments and their regulatory agencies, newsletters and public meetings in order to take the necessary action to effectively minimize and buffer the noise level associated with current and future traffic on the Florida Turnpike.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS: N/A

CONCURRENCES: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

RECOMMENDATION(S): Motion to approve the resolution

Attachment(s): Resolution

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ITS RESIDENTS RIGHTS REGARDING NOISE IMPACTS AFFECTING HOMES THAT ARE IN THE PROXIMITY OF THE PROPOSED FLORIDA TURNPIKE EXPANSION, AND JOIN WITH THE BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE TURNPIKE'S EARLIER COMMITMENTS MADE TO THE MPO REGARDING THEIR PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN FOR THE PROJECT, INCLUDING MEETINGS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR AGENCIES, REGULATORY AGENCIES, NEWSLETTERS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS AND TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO EFFECTIVELY MINIMIZE AND BUFFER THE NOISE LEVEL ASSOCIATED WITH CURRENT AND FUTURE TRAFFIC FROM THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE IN THE TOWN OF DAVIE.

WHEREAS, the noise level associated with traffic on the Florida Turnpike affecting homes in the proximity of the proposed Florida Turnpike expansion in the Town of Davie has progressively increased; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Department of Transportation is studying the of widening the Florida Turnpike from six lanes to ten lanes by adding a general lane and auxiliary lane in each direction, and it is reasonable to expect that the traffic noise level will continue to escalate, causing an intolerable disruption of a peaceful environment for Davie residents whose homes border or are in proximity of the Florida Turnpike; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) approved the Florida Turnpike Tentative Work Program for FY 2003/04-2007/8 with the following provisions agreed upon: 1) Noise walls would be constructed along the project in locations meeting established state and federal noise criteria; 2) Any residential areas that directly abut the Florida Turnpike corridor would be mitigated with a sound wall and a landscape buffer; and 3) Any instances where residences directly abut the project area and are not recommended for a noise wall based on established state and federal noise criteria will be brought back to the MPO for explanation and further consideration;

WHEREAS, the Town of Davie joins with the Broward County Board of County Commissioners and their support for the Turnpike's earlier assurances made to the MPO which included specific commitments in their Public Involvement Plan for the project, and also meetings with local governments and their agencies, regulatory agencies, newsletters and public meetings to keep impacted residents informed throughout the process; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Davie is seriously concerned about the projected increased noise levels and the associated negative impact on property values and residents' quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Town of Davie hereby joins the Broward County Board of County Commissioners and their support for the Turnpike's earlier commitments made to the MPO and urges the Florida Department of Transportation to act responsibly by taking necessary action to effectively minimize and buffer the noise level associated with current and future traffic from the Florida Turnpike in the Town of Davie, including agreements made by the Florida Turnpike in their Public Involvement Plan for the project.

SECTION 2. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners (115 S. Andrews Avenue, Room 421, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33301); James L. Ely, Executive Director of the Florida Department of Transportation (P.O. Box 613069, Ocoee, Florida, 34761-3069); Michael Sasser, P.E., Project Manager, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise (P.O. Box 613069, Ocoee, Florida, 34761-3069); the Honorable Mayor Richard J. Kaplan, as MPO Chair (Metropolitan Planning Organization, 115 S. Andrews Avenue, Room 329H, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33301) and any other interested person or agency.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2003.

Mayor/Councilmember

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2003.